

REMARKS

The present application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 10/136,253, filed May 1, 2002, now allowed. The present application relates to methods of inducing an immune response against a cancer cell in a mammal.

Support for these claims can be found throughout the specification as filed, and as detailed herein. Methods for administration of an auxotrophic attenuated strain of Listeria to a mammal can be found, for example, at page 16, beginning at line 25. A description of a cancer cell against which the present invention is directed can be found at, for example, page 12, beginning at line 18. Antigens expressed by cancer cells can be found at, for example, page 12, beginning at line 24. A description of the dal gene and the dat gene, as well as methods for the production of an auxotrophic attenuated strain of Listeria comprising a mutation in the dal gene and the dat gene can be found at, for example, page 24, beginning at line 19. Methods for inducing an immune response against a cell, organism, antigen, and the like, can be found at, for example, page 11, beginning at line 1.

Favorable examination of the pending claims is respectfully requested at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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